

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application No. : 09/873,775 Confirmation No.: 2319

Applicant : LARRY C. SARVER

Filed : June 4, 2001

Title : METHOD OF CONTROLLING IRRIGATION SYSTEMS  
USING SMART CARDS

Art Unit : 2125

Examiner : Michael D. Masinick

Customer No. : 28289

**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

Mail Stop Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Applicant requests a three-month extension of time in which to respond to the outstanding Office Action. The outstanding Action was mailed on February 20, 2004 and the period set for response was three months, bringing the response due on May 20, 2004. Therefore, a three-month extension of time will bring the response due on August 20, 2004.

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Post Office as first class mail addressed to Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 on August 20, 2004.

Deborah L. Hartmann  
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Signature Date

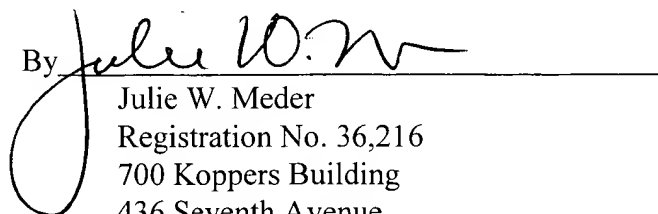
A check in the amount of \$475.00 is enclosed to cover the extension fee. A response to the outstanding Action is filed concurrently herewith.

The Commissioner for Patents is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required to Deposit Account No. 23-0650. Please refund any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 23-0650. The original and two copies of this Petition are enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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By

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Julie W. Meder", is written over a horizontal line. The signature is fluid and cursive.

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